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AEROSOLS OF NANOPARTICULATE DRUGS

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RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

Documents A1 and A8 were cited by the Examiner during prosecution of related, copending application serial number 10/667,472.

Documents A2 – A7 were cited as being relevant during the prosecution of the corresponding European application. US 5,145,684, which is cited in the European Search Report, was previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 31, 2000, therefore, it is not being submitted in the current Information Disclosure Statement. A copy of the European Search Report is attached setting forth the portion of each document considered relevant by the examiner.

Applicants respectfully request that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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